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Applicant: Tsien and Rao
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application, please find:

- (1) Preliminary Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement mailed April 29, 2003 (11 pgs); and
- (2) Return Receipt Postcard.

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No fee is believed due in connection with this Preliminary Amendment and Response to Office Action. If any fee is required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee (or credit any overpayment) to Deposit Acct. No. 50-1355.

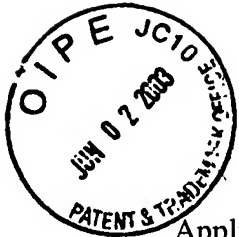
Respectfully submitted,

Date: May 29, 2003

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION
REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated April 29, 2003, please consider the following amendment and remarks.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on May 29, 2003, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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